



structural TIMBER

CONFERENCE 2026

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

07.10.2026

NCC, BIRMINGHAM

INFORMING, INSPIRING AND SHOWCASING BEST PRACTICE TIMBER TECHNOLOGY APPLICATION



08:30 Registration, Exhibition Viewing and Networking

09:30 Introduction from Conference Chair

Darren Richards - Cogent Consulting

Setting the Agenda - Programme Overview & Housekeeping

SESSION 1: Sustainability & Commercial Sector

09:40 Sustainability Keynote:

Seb Laan Lomas - Architype, Built by Nature
Built by Nature's 2025 Prize Winners:
The Black & White Building

09:50 Kirsten Haggart - Waugh Thistleton

Designing the Next Generation of Commercial Timber Buildings

10:10 Adrian Campbell - ChangeBuilding

Using Wood Well: Using Wood Within Planetary Boundaries

10:25 Melissa Cicin-Sain - Webb Yates,

Mike Tonkin - Tonkin Liu,

Robin Nicholson - Buckland Timber

York Minster Centre of Excellence: Heritage, Light and Civic Presence

10:50 Q&A



10:55 Refreshment Break, Exhibition Viewing and Networking

11:25 Sam Gills - Bennetts Associates / Manchester

Metropolitan University & **Alex Thomas** -

Timber Workshop

Robotics Living Lab Pavilion: Designing with Fabrication in Mind

11:45 Charlie Butterwick - Architecture Unknown

Community-led Civic Timber: from Peel Park to Little Hulton

12:00 Andy Heyne - Heyne Tillett Steel

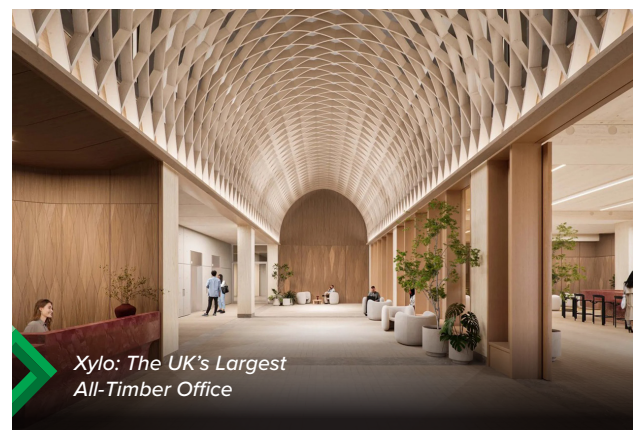
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12:15 Q&A

12:20 Lunch, Exhibition Viewing and Networking

SESSION 2: Education and Infrastructure Case Studies

13:20 Paul Inch - OSKOP / Strata Consulting
Standardising School Delivery with Timber and Kit-of-parts Thinking

13:35 James Curtis - Morgan Sindall Construction & Infrastructure, **Lien Geens** - MCW Architects & **Conor O'Neill** - Smith and Wallwork
Delivering Education Projects as a True Project Team

14:00 James Brentnall - B&K Hybrid Solutions & **Matt Caldwell** - Buro Happold
Stowe School: Designing the Future of Technology & Engineering Education

14:20 Jess Pearce - Buckland Timber
Timber in Infrastructure: Hybrid Systems, Stations and Buildability

14:35 Q&A



14:40 Refreshment Break, Exhibition Viewing and Networking

SESSION 3: Residential Sector

15:10 Andrew Orriss - Structural Timber Association
Timber Industry Update: Status & Trends

15:25 Hannah Dixon - Progress in Practice & **Sam Bailey** - Bailey Projects
New Housing Models: Automated Delivery Meets Passivhaus Craft

15:45 Rob Wheaton - Stride Treglown
Zero-carbon Housing at Scale: Pattern Books, Practice and Structural Delivery

16:00 David Mikhail - Mikhail Riches
Duncombe Square: Delivering Zero Carbon Homes in Practice

16:20 Q&A

16:25 Panel Debate: Housing Automation
Daniel Shea - Barratt Redrow
Paul Bilbie - Bellway Homes
Matthew Bass - Vistry
Jon Lane - Taylor Lane Timber Frame

16:55 Chairmans Event Summary

17:00 Conference End

18:00 STRUCTURAL TIMBER AWARDS DRINKS RECEPTION

